

Monthly Newsletter

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MEETING NOTICES

FAREAST CHAPTER

The FarEast Chapter met June 29th, 14 attendees enjoyed the fine program and great discussions of pavement management. The next meeting of the NWPMA FarEast Chapter Meeting is tentatively scheduled for late September, most likely at the Spokane County Public Works Building, Conference Room C on the 3rd floor. Any questions, call Chair Howard at (509) 324-3458.

NORTHWEST CHAPTER PUGET SOUND CHAPTER

Will be holding a joint meeting in Everett on Wednesday, September 13th. The program has not yet been announced. There will be a mailing with specific details (like starting time) and a fine map so you can find the meeting site. Call NW Chair Randy at (206) 388-6420, ext. 3233, or PS Chair Pat Carroll at (360) 754-4580 for comments or details.

VISUAL RATING TECHCOM

Chair Bill Whitcomb held a meeting to discuss the Rating Manual. Potential updates, revisions, and enhancements were discussed. Several volunteers agreed to look into various aspects of the manual, and propose revisions. The next meeting will be scheduled when more discussion is needed. Call Bill at (360) 696-8290 for comments or details.

EXECUTIVE BOARD

None scheduled at this time. Contact Chair Eric at (206) 596-2957 to see what is going on!

SOUTHEAST CHAPTER

Will hold their next meeting 10:00 am, Wednesday, September 6th at Franklin County Public Works, 3416 Stearman Street, Pasco. More details in the next issue, call Chair Sue at (509) 786-5611 for suggestions or information.

SOUTHWEST CHAPTER

No meeting scheduled at press time, call Chair Bill McEntire at (360) 694-2446, x1620.

NDT TechCom

The Road Rater Operating Manual and Tape project is underway, the experts will be meeting in Spokane to work on them. No other meeting scheduled at press time, Chair is Dave Shepard, (360) 699-2446, x1621

DESIGN TechCom

No meeting scheduled at press time, Chair is Dave Nichols, (360) 754-4580.

CENTERLINE PMS USER GROUP

No details known. Contact Derald Christensen at (206) 851-3200 for details.

WORDS FROM THE CHAIR

During this busy time in everyone's schedule it is great to have the participation that i am seeing throughout the Association.

Let's all make the most of the activities currently happening within the group. Thanks to all who have put in the extra effort.

Keep up the good work, I look forward to seeing everyone at the Fall Conference.

Remember, Knowledge Comes Thru Sharing Eric Edwards, NWPMA Chair

IN MEMORIUM R. KEITH KAY

This month, we lost a true champion of pavement management. Keith Kay lost his battle with cancer. Keith was the Pavement Management Engineer for WSDOT, and was instrumental in the development of many of the theories and practices of the Washington State PMS. He will be remembered for his willingness

to share his knowledge with local agencies and his Pavement Rating classes.

ADC TECHCOM EQUIPMENT EVALUATION UNDERWAY

We are officially underway with the Automated Data Collection evaluation! We have had several agencies volunteer to conduct a production level visual inspection of the test sites, their evaluations are coming in. Although the deadline for all surveys to be included in the analysis is July 31st, you can still rate the segments to compare your results with the rest of the raters. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Dan Sunde at (360) 705-7383. The final report will be available by the end of the year.

THE95

The Northwest Truck Heavy Equipment Exposition (THE) is taking place at the Portland Exposition Center on September 20-22. Vendors will be exhibiting the latest and greatest equipment, six interesting seminars, a Bar-B-Que, and a fashion show featuring the latest in safety apparel and accessories. Preregistration is free, \$20 at the gate. For more information, please call THE95 Show Management at (800) 848-7468.

NWPMA FALL CONFERENCE

Will be in Olympia October 17th (Tuesday) thru 19th (Thursday) at the Holiday Inn (formerly the Westwater). Chairs include Pat Carroll and Dave Nichols of Thurston County, give them a call at (360) 754-4580 if you want to assist or have any comments. Although the official program starts with lunch on Tuesday, you will probably wish to attend Tuesday morning, for the Annual Thump-Off and Rate-Off. The able Chairs are out looking for interesting pavements to rate, come compare your methods and results to the other attendees. There will also be discussions of ratings by the experts. Rumor has it that Sue Schuetze and Bill Bullock will bring their bicycles to show us how well they work! The other rumor is not true, that Super Howard is donating the trip to sunny Mexico (he won it during dinner at the Spring Quarterly) as a door prize, he has already scheduled for his family to go in December. Mark your calendar, stay tuned for details, and, most important, be sure to attend. Info and preregistration will be coming to you soon. See you there!

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